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### RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2002 (Paper No. 7), please review the Applicant's remarks and request for reconsideration.

#### **REMARKS**

In the Office Action, the Examiner noted that claims 1-13, 16-19, and 21-26 are pending in the application, claims 2-5 are withdrawn from consideration, and that claims 1, 6-13, 16-19, and 21-25 are rejected. In view of the following discussion, the Applicants submit that none of the claims now pending in the application are obvious under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 103. Thus, the Applicants believe that all of these claims are now in condition for allowance.

## I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C, §103(a)

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 6, 8, and 9 as being unpatentable over Bang et al. (United States patent 6,110,556, Issued Aug. 29, 2000) in view of Okamoto et al. (Japanese Patent Publication 2000-252218), Fischer (United ELBA SON